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OUR BRISBANE LETTER.

MERCANTILE AND MONEY ARTICLE.
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THURSDAY EVENING.

The Customs' duties received to-day were as follows:—				
Brandy	£237 5
Gin	...	...	...	9 7
Rum	...	...	...	945 10
Perfumed spirits	...	...	...	0 5
All other spirits	...	...	...	141 0
Wine	...	...	...	122 8
Tobacco and snuff	...	...	...	152 5
Tea	...	...	...	32 0
Sugar (unrefined)	...	...	...	115 0
Dried fruits	...	...	...	23 0
Rice	...	...	...	36 12 3
Opium	...	...	...	2 17 0
Coffee	...	...	...	31 0
Iron	...	...	...	2 0
New spirits duties	...	...	...	42 18 3
Ad valorem duties	...	...	...	2 10 0

The Clara Hargraves, from Manila, brings only part cargo of hemp.

Mr. Wane reports having sold privately the secondwind station with 140 head of cattle, for £1300 cash, Mr. R. Holmes purchaser.

The wool sales held to-day were not of any great importance. The principal lots sold were low and medium scoured, which realised from 1s. to 14d. Fleeces was quoted at 11½d. to 14d.; lambs, 5d. to 9½d.; greasy, 4½d. to 6½d. Cheepkins were scarce, and all offered found buyers at 2½d. to 4½d.

Mr. Turner sold—Cul in octagon, 8 bales

1 ewe wool 14d., 6 pieces at 9½d., 1 mixed
 at 9½d.; L&Co, 11 scored at 13½d., 5 at
 14d.; JH over H, 18 at 14d., 5 at 10½d.;
 EL, 19 at 13½d., 2 at 11½d., 5 at 12½d.
 at 10d.; P, 11 mixed at 3d.; EL, 7
 scored at 12½d., 2 at 8d., 3 greasy at 5d.,
 2 at 5½d., 1 locks at 3½d., 1 handwashed
 at 8½d., 2 mixed at 3½d. and 4½d., 4 lots sheep-
 skins at 2½d. to 4½d.
 Messrs. Harrison, Jones, and Devlin's sales
 were—OR, 30 fleeces at 12d., 2 locks at 6d.;
 L&A&Co, 7 fleeces at 12½d., 4 mixed at 1½d. to
 10½d., 1 scored at 13½d., 1 locks at 5½d., 1
 scored dirty at 7½d., 1 skin wool, at 9½d., 2
 lambs at 5d., 1 piece at 5½d., 13 lots sheep-
 skins at 2½d. to 4½d., belts at 13d.

MESSRS. Irwin and Co. disposed of 7 bales greasy wool at 4½d., 10 locks at 4½d.; NM, 7 bales at 9½d., 4 fleece at 11½d.; B and W, 21 greasy, at 6½d., 2 locks at 2d., 4 pieces at 3d., 3½d., 3 locks at 3½d., 4 lots sheepskins at 2½d. to 4½d.

We have Auckland papers to the 22nd. We quote the following from the *Weekly News* of that date:—
We have to note this week an advance in the price of breadstuffs, caused by the firm tone of the markets in the south. We have to note also a decline in the price of wheat, caused by the abundance of the crop in the south, in which it will be seen that the advance made by the Auckland market has been more than counterbalanced. During the week have been unusually small, the Fawns and Flints their first arrivals. By the former 54 tons of wheat were landed, and by the latter 100 tons of wheat. The market is at the shipment of 835 sacks wheat. The market is at 5s 6d per bushel for Canterbury grain, and 6s 1d to 6s 2d for the same from the coast. Flour and oatmeal are reported to be in short supply, and the price of the former is 20s. The import of oats has been larger this month than for any day of the week that we remember. Since the 1st of April 50,734 bushels of oats have been landed, and 10,000 of barley, which comprised 60 sacks of oats. The cause of this large importation is the unusually early season of the year. According to the *Telegraph Times*, the quantity of new oats is

market alone there is said double that of last year; one of the reasons for this is the fact that the quantity of wheat at Watrous also, there is an increase of 6000 bushels over the crop of last year. The price in Auckland has not been so high as it was some years ago, but the quantity of wheat at Watrous alone is said to be 30,000, the current quotations are as follows:—
 1st quality, 10s 6d; 2nd quality, 10s 3d; 3rd quality, 10s 0d; 4th quality, 9s 6d; 5th quality, 9s 3d; 6th quality, 9s 0d; 7th quality, 8s 6d; 8th quality, 8s 3d; 9th quality, 8s 0d; 10th quality, 7s 6d; 11th quality, 7s 3d; 12th quality, 7s 0d; 13th quality, 6s 6d; 14th quality, 6s 3d; 15th quality, 6s 0d; 16th quality, 5s 6d; 17th quality, 5s 3d; 18th quality, 5s 0d; 19th quality, 4s 6d; 20th quality, 4s 3d; 21st quality, 4s 0d; 22nd quality, 3s 6d; 23rd quality, 3s 3d; 24th quality, 3s 0d; 25th quality, 2s 6d; 26th quality, 2s 3d; 27th quality, 2s 0d; 28th quality, 1s 6d; 29th quality, 1s 3d; 30th quality, 1s 0d; 31st quality, 10s 6d; 32nd quality, 10s 3d; 33rd quality, 10s 0d; 34th quality, 9s 6d; 35th quality, 9s 3d; 36th quality, 9s 0d; 37th quality, 8s 6d; 38th quality, 8s 3d; 39th quality, 8s 0d; 40th quality, 7s 6d; 41st quality, 7s 3d; 42nd quality, 7s 0d; 43rd quality, 6s 6d; 44th quality, 6s 3d; 45th quality, 6s 0d; 46th quality, 5s 6d; 47th quality, 5s 3d; 48th quality, 5s 0d; 49th quality, 4s 6d; 50th quality, 4s 3d; 51st quality, 4s 0d; 52nd quality, 3s 6d; 53rd quality, 3s 3d; 54th quality, 3s 0d; 55th quality, 2s 6d; 56th quality, 2s 3d; 57th quality, 2s 0d; 58th quality, 1s 6d; 59th quality, 1s 3d; 60th quality, 1s 0d; 61st quality, 10s 6d; 62nd quality, 10s 3d; 63rd quality, 10s 0d; 64th quality, 9s 6d; 65th quality, 9s 3d; 66th quality, 9s 0d; 67th quality, 8s 6d; 68th quality, 8s 3d; 69th quality, 8s 0d; 70th quality, 7s 6d; 71st quality, 7s 3d; 72nd quality, 7s 0d; 73rd quality, 6s 6d; 74th quality, 6s 3d; 75th quality, 6s 0d; 76th quality, 5s 6d; 77th quality, 5s 3d; 78th quality, 5s 0d; 79th quality, 4s 6d; 80th quality, 4s 3d; 81st quality, 4s 0d; 82nd quality, 3s 6d; 83rd quality, 3s 3d; 84th quality, 3s 0d; 85th quality, 2s 6d; 86th quality, 2s 3d; 87th quality, 2s 0d; 88th quality, 1s 6d; 89th quality, 1s 3d; 90th quality, 1s 0d; 91st quality, 10s 6d; 92nd quality, 10s 3d; 93rd quality, 10s 0d; 94th quality, 9s 6d; 95th quality, 9s 3d; 96th quality, 9s 0d; 97th quality, 8s 6d; 98th quality, 8s 3d; 99th quality, 8s 0d; 100th quality, 7s 6d; 101st quality, 7s 3d; 102nd quality, 7s 0d; 103rd quality, 6s 6d; 104th quality, 6s 3d; 105th quality, 6s 0d; 106th quality, 5s 6d; 107th quality, 5s 3d; 108th quality, 5s 0d; 109th quality, 4s 6d; 110th quality, 4s 3d; 111th quality, 4s 0d; 112th quality, 3s 6d; 113th quality, 3s 3d; 114th quality, 3s 0d; 115th quality, 2s 6d; 116th quality, 2s 3d; 117th quality, 2s 0d; 118th quality, 1s 6d; 119th quality, 1s 3d; 120th quality, 1s 0d; 121st quality, 10s 6d; 122nd quality, 10s 3d; 123rd quality, 10s 0d; 124th quality, 9s 6d; 125th quality, 9s 3d; 126th quality, 9s 0d; 127th quality, 8s 6d; 128th quality, 8s 3d; 129th quality, 8s 0d; 130th quality, 7s 6d; 131st quality, 7s 3d; 132nd quality, 7s 0d; 133rd quality, 6s 6d; 134th quality, 6s 3d; 135th quality, 6s 0d; 136th quality, 5s 6d; 137th quality, 5s 3d; 138th quality, 5s 0d; 139th quality, 4s 6d; 140th quality, 4s 3d; 141st quality, 4s 0d; 142nd quality, 3s 6d; 143rd quality, 3s 3d; 144th quality, 3s 0d; 145th quality, 2s 6d; 146th quality, 2s 3d; 147th quality, 2s 0d; 148th quality, 1s 6d; 149th quality, 1s 3d; 150th quality, 1s 0d; 151st quality, 10s 6d; 152nd quality, 10s 3d; 153rd quality, 10s 0d; 154th quality, 9s 6d; 155th quality, 9s 3d; 156th quality, 9s 0d; 157th quality, 8s 6d; 158th quality, 8s 3d; 159th quality, 8s 0d; 160th quality, 7s 6d; 161st quality, 7s 3d; 162nd quality, 7s 0d; 163rd quality, 6s 6d; 164th quality, 6s 3d; 165th quality, 6s 0d; 166th quality, 5s 6d; 167th quality, 5s 3d; 168th quality, 5s 0d; 169th quality, 4s 6d; 170th quality, 4s 3d; 171st quality, 4s 0d; 172nd quality, 3s 6d; 173rd quality, 3s 3d; 174th quality, 3s 0d; 175th quality, 2s 6d; 176th quality, 2s 3d; 177th quality, 2s 0d; 178th quality, 1s 6d; 179th quality, 1s 3d; 180th quality, 1s 0d; 181st quality, 10s 6d; 182nd quality, 10s 3d; 183rd quality, 10s 0d; 184th quality, 9s 6d; 185th quality, 9s 3d; 186th quality, 9s 0d; 187th quality, 8s 6d; 188th quality, 8s 3d; 189th quality, 8s 0d; 190th quality, 7s 6d; 191st quality, 7s 3d; 192nd quality, 7s 0d; 193rd quality, 6s 6d; 194th quality, 6s 3d; 195th quality, 6s 0d; 196th quality, 5s 6d; 197th quality, 5s 3d; 198th quality, 5s 0d; 199th quality, 4s 6d; 200th quality, 4s 3d; 201st quality, 4s 0d; 202nd quality, 3s 6d; 203rd quality, 3s 3d; 204th quality, 3s 0d; 205th quality, 2s 6d; 206th quality, 2s 3d; 207th quality, 2s 0d; 208th quality, 1s 6d; 209th quality, 1s 3d; 210th quality, 1s 0d; 211st quality, 10s 6d; 212nd quality, 10s 3d; 213rd quality, 10s 0d; 214th quality, 9s 6d; 215th quality, 9s 3d; 216th quality, 9s 0d; 217th quality, 8s 6d; 218th quality, 8s 3d; 219th quality, 8s 0d; 220th quality, 7s 6d; 221st quality, 7s 3d; 222nd quality, 7s 0d; 223rd quality, 6s 6d; 224th quality, 6s 3d; 225th quality, 6s 0d; 226th quality, 5s 6d; 227th quality, 5s 3d; 228th quality, 5s 0d; 229th quality, 4s 6d; 230th quality, 4s 3d; 231st quality, 4s 0d; 232nd quality, 3s 6d; 233rd quality, 3s 3d; 234th quality, 3s 0d; 235th quality, 2s 6d; 236th quality, 2s 3d; 237th quality, 2s 0d; 238th quality, 1s 6d; 239th quality, 1s 3d; 240th quality, 1s 0d; 241st quality, 10s 6d; 242nd quality, 10s 3d; 243rd quality, 10s 0d; 244th quality, 9s 6d; 245th quality, 9s 3d; 246th quality, 9s 0d; 247th quality, 8s 6d; 248th quality, 8s 3d; 249th quality, 8s 0d; 250th quality, 7s 6d; 251st quality, 7s 3d; 252nd quality, 7s 0d; 253rd quality, 6s 6d; 254th quality, 6s 3d; 255th quality, 6s 0d; 256th quality, 5s 6d; 257th quality, 5s 3d; 258th quality, 5s 0d; 259th quality, 4s 6d; 260th quality, 4s 3d; 261st quality, 4s 0d; 262nd quality, 3s 6d; 263rd quality, 3s 3d; 264th quality, 3s 0d; 265th quality, 2s 6d; 266th quality, 2s 3d; 267th quality, 2s 0d; 268th quality, 1s 6d; 269th quality, 1s 3d; 270th quality, 1s 0d; 271st quality, 10s 6d; 272nd quality, 10s 3d; 273rd quality, 10s 0d; 274th quality, 9s 6d; 275th quality, 9s 3d; 276th quality, 9s 0d; 277th quality, 8s 6d; 278th quality, 8s 3d; 279th quality, 8s 0d; 280th quality, 7s 6d; 281st quality, 7s 3d; 282nd quality, 7s 0d; 283rd quality, 6s 6d; 284th quality, 6s 3d; 285th quality, 6s 0d; 286th quality, 5s 6d; 287th quality, 5s 3d; 288th quality, 5s 0d; 289th quality, 4s 6d; 290th quality, 4s 3d; 291st quality, 4s 0d

The *West Coast Times* of the 15th ultimate reports of the Hokitika markets :-

The past week realised in business circles what was indicated our last report. The prices of all staple articles have been somewhat higher, and the prices of the principal commodities will be higher. The news brought by the *Albatross*, late last week, has been the cause of a considerable rise in the price of flour, beyond confirming the telegraphic report received by the *Tararua* last four had advanced in Melbourne to £13, and was firm at that price. The prices of the principal commodities of the business agreements of the month have passed over without any hindrance, and business generally may be said to be on a most satisfactory footing. The prices of the principal commodities of the month have passed over without any hindrance, and business generally may be said to be on a most satisfactory footing. The prices of the principal commodities of the month have passed over without any hindrance, and business generally may be said to be on a most satisfactory footing. The prices of the principal commodities of the month have passed over without any hindrance, and business generally may be said to be on a most satisfactory footing.

CLIVER CAPTURE ON BOARD THE CALIFORNIAN
 TRAINER.—Yesterday afternoon, shortly before the departure of the California, New Zealand, and Australian mail steamer City of Melbourne from her anchorage, a very unusual scene was witnessed. A man, who was described as a constable Milquency, of a young man named Thomas Lloyd, who was just on the point of taking his departure for New Zealand, it would appear, had been a sort of "hanging clerk" in the City of Melbourne, and was in the employ of F. Hamberger and Co., by means of a cheque returned in his employer's name, the sum of £35; but it is not known whether the cheque is yet to be brought forward. This cheque was not produced until it had been produced in the City of Melbourne yesterday forenoon, and on its being shortly afterwards found not to be genuine the police were commanded to search for the man Lloyd, who was then being sought, being thought likely that Lloyd would attempt to escape by the mail steamer which left that day, the police officers being the object of their search on the City of Melbourne which did not leave, but stayed on board, and were rewarded with the capture of Lloyd, who is about 30 years of age, being alongside in a small boat, apparently a tug, the direction of Pymont. A quantity of goods of diverse kinds were found in the boat with prisoner, and these articles are supposed to be the property of the man Lloyd. A representative of Messrs. Brooking, a telegram was retained through some mishap to the line was received in the City of Melbourne, and the goods were sent to Pymont from Sydney to take a boat at the City of Melbourne with the intention of misleading the emissaries of the law. The case will come on for trial at the Central Police Court.

